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Panelists to discuss Kaimin sex column Thursday

Kayla Matzke
MONTANA KAIMIN

A panel hosted by the American Constitution Society, a newly formed student group on campus, titled "Sex in the Student Paper: A Discussion of Constitutional Freedoms and Journalistic Standards" will be held Thursday evening at 6:30 in Urey Underground Lecture Hall.

The panelists are law professor Kristen Juras, legal writing professor Larry Howell, political science chair and constitutional law scholar James Lopach, journalism professor and first amendment scholar Clem Work, and Montana Kaimin editor Bill Oram.

The panel was spurred by the recent concerns Juras publicly raised about the Bess Sex column published in the Montana Kaimin on Fridays. Juras claims the column is inappropriate and shouldn't be printed because the Kaimin is partially funded with student fees. She suggests the student newspaper should have written hiring standards and content guidelines.

Law student and ACS president James Reavis said law professor Eduardo Capulong, the ACS faculty advisor, will be the moderator for the event.

Reavis said everyone is invited to the panel. "The purpose of the panel is bring awareness, discussion and critical thought to some of the really pressing issues in our society," he said.

But Reavis won't deny that it's also about sex.

"It's about sex because that's what got people into a tizzy, but it's also about bigger issues," Reavis said.

The ACS hopes the panel tackles tough questions like 'what is the First Amendment?' and 'should journalists have formal standards?'

At the end of the panel, audience questions will be taken. Security will also be present at the panel.

The ACS is made up of law students, and there are chapters for students and lawyers throughout the nation, Reavis said. Around 30 members are in the student group.

"I think there are great arguments to be made on both sides," Reavis said, adding that the ACS See PANEL, page 3

Crosses both inside and out



Taka Osuga/Montana Kaimin

Flowers and crosses for the victims of a small plane crash in Butte on Sunday have been put in front of the Holy Cross cemetery. The plane came from California and was headed initially to Bozeman. Mark Rosenker, the chairman of the N.T.S.B., said it has been very difficult to retrace the final moments of the flight.

Butte mourns victims of tragic plane crash

Kimball Bennion
MONTANA KAIMIN

There's something about a cemetery that makes people take notice as they drive by. But on this day, drivers on Harrison Avenue in Butte were practically obliged to slow down, crane their necks and glance at the crosses.

They weren't staring at the hundreds of stone crosses behind the gates, but rather, at the wooden ones in front.

Early Monday morning, someone placed 17 crosses in a line in front of the gates of Holy Cross cemetery, the site of a plane crash that killed what was then thought to be 17 people on board.

At a press conference later that day, National Transportation Safety Board Chairman Mark

Rosenker confirmed 14 were killed: seven adults and seven children. The victims were a group from California on their way to a ski resort outside Bozeman. The pilot, for an unknown reason, decided to re-route to Butte and, no more than 1,000 feet from Bert Mooney Airport, the single engine Pilatus PC-12 crashed into the cemetery on Sunday afternoon.

Immediately after the crash, speculation abounded. Were there any survivors? How many were killed? By Sunday evening, most news outlets were reporting that 17 were dead, no survivors. By Monday morning, the front page of Butte's local newspaper, the Montana Standard, said the number was 16. It wasn't until Monday afternoon that the names and ages of the 14 people on board were confirmed.

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For the person or people who placed the 17 crosses, there was no time to sort out the details. A tragedy happened at home. There was only time to mourn.

Rosenker held the press conference at Bert Mooney Airport on Monday afternoon that confirmed the number dead at 14 and updated the room full of reporters on the status of the investigation. A few new facts came to light: The pilot was approximately 65 years old and had over 2,000 hours of flight time in the aircraft that See BUTTE, page 7

UM to offer climate change minor in fall 2009

Carmen George
MONTANA KAIMIN

A new climate change studies minor will be offered at The University of Montana, which becomes one of the nation's first undergraduate degree programs to explore this issue from a broad range of subjects.

The minor will begin in fall 2009, offering courses that address climate change in terms of science, society and potential solutions. The Board of Regents approved the minor Thursday at its bimonthly meeting in Helena.

"It's beyond looking at the science. We are trying to get students into this whole social, political arena," said UM regents professor of forest ecology Steve Running, director for the new program and Nobel Peace Prize recipient for work on climate change issues. "We are trying to be on the leading edge of this transition and educate particularly our students in facilitating this change and helping the alternatives bubble up."

The task of fixing the "global sickness" will soon be in the hands of the next generation, he added.

The minor was initiated under the direction of UM Provost Royce Engstrom, who received input from 29 faculty members from 18 departments who wanted to bring a climate change program to campus.

"An important thing for students to know is that students from any background can enter into this minor because it takes a very interdisciplinary approach," Engstrom said. "It's not just for science students, it's not just for policy students. It's for any student."

Nicky Phear, program coordinator for the new minor and coordina-

tor and instructor of UM's Wilderness and Civilization program, said that while some other universities offer specialized classes in things like climate change science, UM is among the first in the nation to approach the issue from such a broad range of subjects.

"We need to understand the science, but it's quickly becoming an issue beyond what science can address," Phear said. "Like any big issue of the day, it requires an understanding of a broad range of disciplines."

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TODAY ON CAMPUS

• An Evening With Joan Baez
University Theatre, 8:00 p.m.
\$39 in advance; \$41 day of show.

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Editorial

Legalizing sports wagering could have big payoff

Wanna bet?

Well, you can’t. Not on sports. Not legally, anyhow. Sure, a few dollars exchanging hands between friends in a private pool is on the up and up, but unless you want to fly to Vegas, you can’t bet the spread on Thursday’s Villanova-Duke game — or do pretty much any other kind of organized sports betting.

Montana is one of just four states in which any kind of sports betting is legal.

But here you can only play fantasy NASCAR and football games through the state lottery, according to Montana Lottery communication director Jo Berg. Delaware, Oregon and Nevada are the other three exempted from federal prohibitions, though Delaware and Oregon currently don’t sanction betting.

It’s high time that the other 46 states are allowed to get into the game, too. A federal law passed in 1992 respects sports betting in the four states that met the deadline to sign up for it.

New Jersey State Sen. Raymond Lesniak filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court on Monday that seeks to overturn that Professional and Amateur Sports Act, saying it’s unconstitutional to allow sports wagering in four states but not the rest.

You can say nothing good comes from New Jersey, but this is a smart idea.

Legalizing sports wagering would create thousands of jobs across the board in all states. It would also open for the rest of the country the Pandora’s box of revenue Nevada has enjoyed since legalizing gambling in 1931. The Associated Press reported Monday that estimates of illegal sports betting range as high as \$380 billion a year nationwide and could be an \$11 billion-a-year industry for New Jersey.

Nobody’s winning that much in March Madness office pools, that’s for sure.

“Rather than supporting thousands of jobs, economic activity and tourism, the federal ban supports offshore operators and organized crime,” Lesniak said.

Indeed, it is safer to allow wagering enthusiasts to call up local bookies and place bets than to hang out in dark alleys and trust sketchy offshore Web sites with credit card information. The arguments against legalizing gambling are numerous and valid. It’s true that thousands of people in this country suffer from gambling addiction. However, it is not the government’s job to keep people from their vices. Further, sports betting, like tobacco and alcohol, would be heavily regulated and monitored by newly- and happily-employed bureaucrats.

The sports leagues, both professional and collegiate, are vehemently opposed to betting. Their concern is for the integrity of their sports. Unfortunately, the integrity of sports flew out the window when Mark McGwire’s 62nd home run cleared the wall in 1998, when Pete Rose was banned for betting on baseball, when Michigan basketball players took money from a booster and when an ugly brawl broke out between the Detroit Pistons and the Indiana Pacers in 2004. The list is longer than the number of people who bet on Big Brown in last year’s Belmont Stakes.

So-called point shaving — like was done by Boston College basketball players in the 1970s and by Toledo football players this decade — will remain a federal offense. Legalizing betting will not legalize cheating.

And while we should hope for a resurrection in the integrity of sports, closing it from betting isn’t the way to do it. Allowing betting will only create more transparency.

And let’s face it: we are long past the days when sports were pastimes and pleasant distractions. Professional athletes, universities and major corporations make tons of money off of us through merchandise, ticket sales and overpriced Cracker Jacks. It’s time we were allowed the chance to make something off of them.

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U-Wire

Editorial Board, Indiana University

Castration a possible solution for repeat sex offenders

Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal signed legislation last year requiring courts to order chemical castration for certain sex offenders convicted a second time. Texas, Florida and California allow or mandate chemical castration in certain circumstances.

In the Czech Republic, attention is being focused on the procedure after Antonin Novak, 43, was sentenced to life in prison after raping and killing Jakub Simanek, a 9-year-old boy. Novak had already served more than four years in prison for previous sexual offenses. He had been released and been ordered outpatient treatment, which he failed to attend.

Could castration have saved Jakub?

A Danish study from the 1960s found that the rate of repeat offenses dropped from 80 to 2.3 percent among 900 surgically castrated sex offenders.

The director of the Psychiatric Hospital Bohnice in Prague, Dr. Martin Holly, reported that, of the 94 sex offenders to undergo surgical castration in the Czech Republic over the past decade, not one of them has committed further offenses.

Moreover, many of the sex of-

fenders feel that their castration has had a positive impact on their own lives. Twenty years after Pavel, a source from a New York Times article who refused to give his last name for fear of being harassed, stabbed his 12-year-old neighbor to death while experiencing sexual urges, he seems to have found relief.

“I can finally live knowing that I am no harm to anybody,” he told a New York Times reporter. During Pavel’s last year in prison he underwent surgical castration, which he described in the article as “draining the gasoline from a car hard-wired to crash.”

The procedure is drawing criticism, however, from many who feel it violates human rights. While Poland is expected to become the first European Union state to give judges the right to impose chemical castration on at least some convicted pedophiles, the Council of Europe’s anti-torture committee deemed surgical castration “invasive, irreversible and mutilating” and asked the Czech government to ban it.

Others point out that even when castration, chemical or otherwise, is offered as a voluntary procedure, many convicts feel pressured into it

to get parole or escape life sentences.

The American Civil Liberties Union has asserted that mandatory chemical castration, such as the law dictates in California and Florida for repeat offenders, violates a convict’s constitutional rights. It cites the implied right to privacy under the Fourteenth Amendment, the ban of cruel and unusual punishment provided by the Eighth Amendment and the rights of due process and equal protection.

Forcing convicts to undergo medical procedures that cause them to forfeit fertility is extreme. However, offering the option of castration in contrast to a lifetime sentence could not only help protect society from sex offenders but perhaps also provide the offenders their best chance at rehabilitation and a normal life.

While they might feel pressured into the choice when the only other option is life in prison, it is fair to ask someone responsible for, say, the horrific ruin of a child’s life, to make a difficult decision.

Far from being inhumane, voluntary castration offers a road to recovery for some of the most mentally disturbed members of society.



Letters to the Editor

of your list of methods for recruitment; it’s offensive to those of us who are rational.

Ray Davis, junior
political science

Recognizing festival participants

In response to Tuesday’s article on the International Culture and Food Festival, I would like stress the word ‘culture.’ The Festival takes up all three floors of the UC for the entire day. The food booths are only a small portion of this huge event.

Scott Gray is one among several amazing people who pull the whole thing together. But he is only one. Jen Gursky coordinates children’s world on the second floor, Nicola Perez coordinates the culture show on the third and I coordinate the display booths on the third. Mona Mondava, the festival director, and Effie Koehn, the Director of Foreign Student and Scholar Services, take on the enor-

mous task of overseeing everything that goes on with the festival each year! And not to mention all that the International Student Association does in preparation for the big day. This takes many people and months to plan!

There are also many people involved in the festival who did not receive recognition because they did not have a food booth. To mention only a few, Mandela van Eeden participated in display booths, children’s world and the culture show, sharing Australian didgeridoo music. Diego Baccino and Abby Croteau gave us a Uruguayan tango. We had over 50 tables displaying culture, from Afghan students to Kumamoto Plaza to Finland. All of these participants deserve recognition for participating in the festival, not just those who served food. Don’t get me wrong, I love the food portion of the festival, and it by no means is a small task, but I think this article could have done a better job including all the parts of the International Culture and Food Festival.

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In addition to science courses, climate change classes will be offered in subjects like public health, international perspectives, ecology and sociology, she said. The new minor requires 21 credits, with students taking six credits in each of three different areas, along with the three-credit introductory course. The three areas of study include science, social sciences and humanities, as well as practical applications and solutions that will include a required internship component, Phear added.

The most rewarding part of helping to set up the minor was working to bridge the gaps between the vision of UM administrators, faculty motivation and student interest, she said. She added that the new minor draws from existing experience and motivation of UM professors instead of having to spend more money to hire new teachers.

"There is at least one faculty member in every department that wants to understand and teach about how climate change relates to their discipline," Phear said. "It will take a bit of time to develop our capacity to teach in all of these areas, but we are well on our way."

Along with Running, Dane Scott,

director of UM's Center for Ethics, chaired the "grassroots" task force of UM faculty that launched the initial idea for the minor.

"There was a group of professors really interested in climate change and felt that some kind of program would be a good idea, so they just started getting together and talking about it," Scott said. "There was a very fortunate meeting of visions between the provost and this group of faculty."

"As much as it is a pressing issue, it is also an educational opportunity for students to see the connections between different disciplines on campus," he said.

Whitney Gaskill, a UM senior taking the introductory climate change course taught by Scott, Running and Phear, said the class provides the "top line" of education in a range of different climate change topics from some of the school's most knowledgeable professors.

"I think it's going to be a really important field to go into in the next few years. People are really looking for people who know what's going on with (climate change) right now," Gaskill said.

"It's really inspiring to be involved with climate policy and engaging in that political debate, and I think that's something everyone can do regardless of what their job is."

The introductory course began last fall, and was taught again this spring. Approximately 15 of about 60 students in the class last year said they were interested in the climate change minor, Phear said.

Many students involved with the group UM Climate Action Now, a group of over 50 members that works towards creating a sustainable and carbon-neutral campus, also showed interest in the minor.

"The act of building bridges and engaging students and faculty are key components in achieving a carbon-neutral campus," wrote the group in a letter to the Board of Regents when the minor was being proposed. "This minor could help to bridge departmental gaps through this unique interdisciplinary and interdepartmental structure."

Jessie Davie, ASUM sustainability coordinator, also addressed her support for the minor in a letter to the Board of Regents.

"In the world we live in today, the issue of climate change is omnipresent — encompassing all social, political and economic issues facing our globe," she wrote. "Leadership is needed to face the challenges that climate change poses, and those leaders will come from the youth, from well-educated university students."

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PANEL

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is non-partisan and isn't taking a side in the sex column debate.

Juras said the panelists have good experience and knowledge on both sides. She hopes that the event will create a sincere discussion about the controversy.

"It's my hope that this will be a thoughtful and considerate dialogue," she said. "(The first amendment) is a complicated area of law — how to balance a student's freedom of speech while also fulfilling the educational purposes of a publicly-funded newspaper."

Howell said it is necessary to

participate in the panel to equally show both sides within the UM School of Law.

"I thought it was important that the law school be represented by someone who disagrees with (Juras') position," Hoell said.

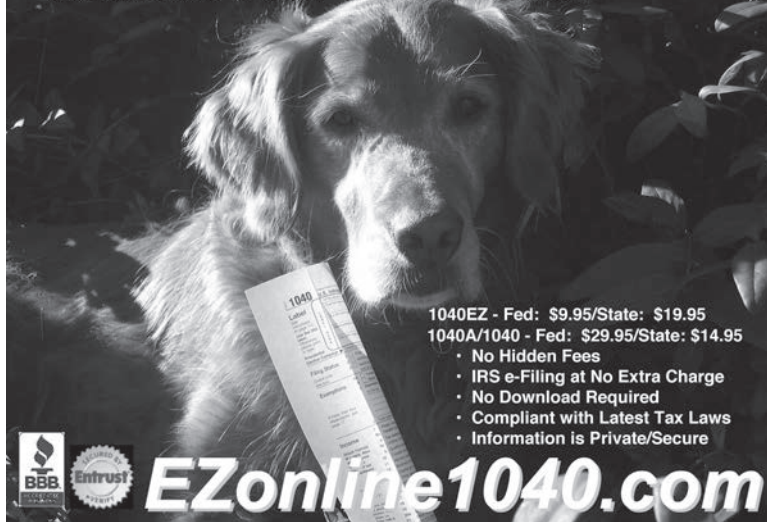
First amendment scholar Work said the panel is an opportunity to inform people about the first amendment.

"I welcome it as a chance to educate more people about the first amendment," Work said. "I think the first amendment discussion here is almost a non-issue. It's pretty clear through decided law that the Kaimin can't be censored."

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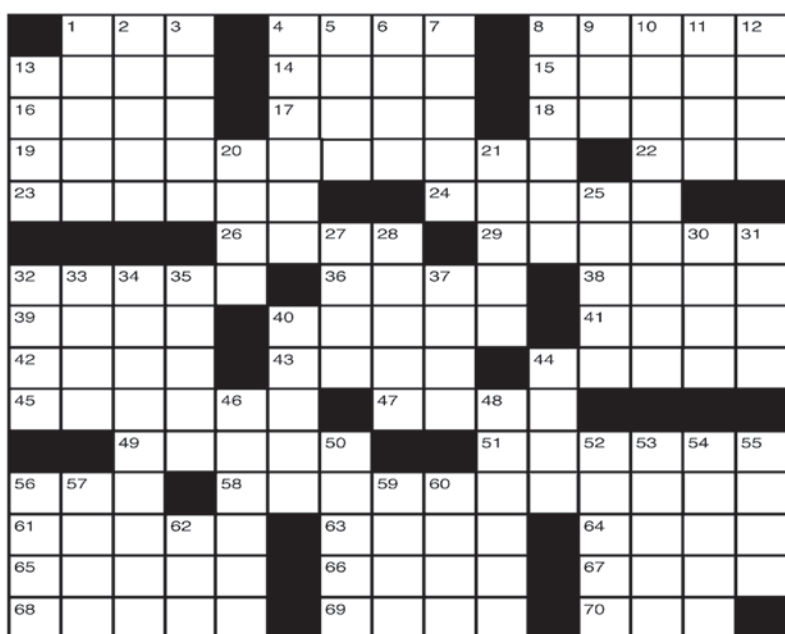
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 - Appear
 - Cosmetic item
 - One who gives stunt flying exhibitions
 - Chaney or Chaney Jr.
 - Cain, for one
 - End prematurely
 - Money
 - Rest
 - Russian workers' group
 - Conceited
 - Spoken
 - Precious
 - Tie the knot
 - Pianist Peter
 - Actress Swenson
 - Intestinal parts
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 - Embankment
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- Fraternity letter
- Imitator
- Nigerian people
- Unfaithful one
- Dieter's lunch
- First home
- Chemistry classes, often
- Trade for cash
- Heavy wood
- River in France
- Skating rink
- Biblical weeds
- Scarce
- ___ machine
- Miner's passage
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Interim registrar in place; UM to look for replacement

Allison Maier
MONTANA KAIMIN

An interim registrar is in place at the University of Montana, though the search for a permanent replacement has yet to take off.

Ed Johnson stepped into his position as interim registrar on Monday, taking over Dave Micus's post. Micus left earlier this month to take a job as registrar of the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, a new international graduate university in Saudi Arabia financed by the country's king. Micus had worked at UM since 2006.

Johnson worked at Montana Tech in Butte for 18 years and was registrar from December 1994 to October 2006. After that, he spent two years in a registrar position at Fort Lewis College in Colorado. For the past year, he has worked in communications for the Stillwater Mining Co. in Columbus, Mont.

Johnson said he spent the first day in his new job getting all his

electronic connections sorted out — his e-mail, phone and Cyberbear account. He said his priorities while in the registrar position are to make sure fall 2009 registration and commencement go smoothly.

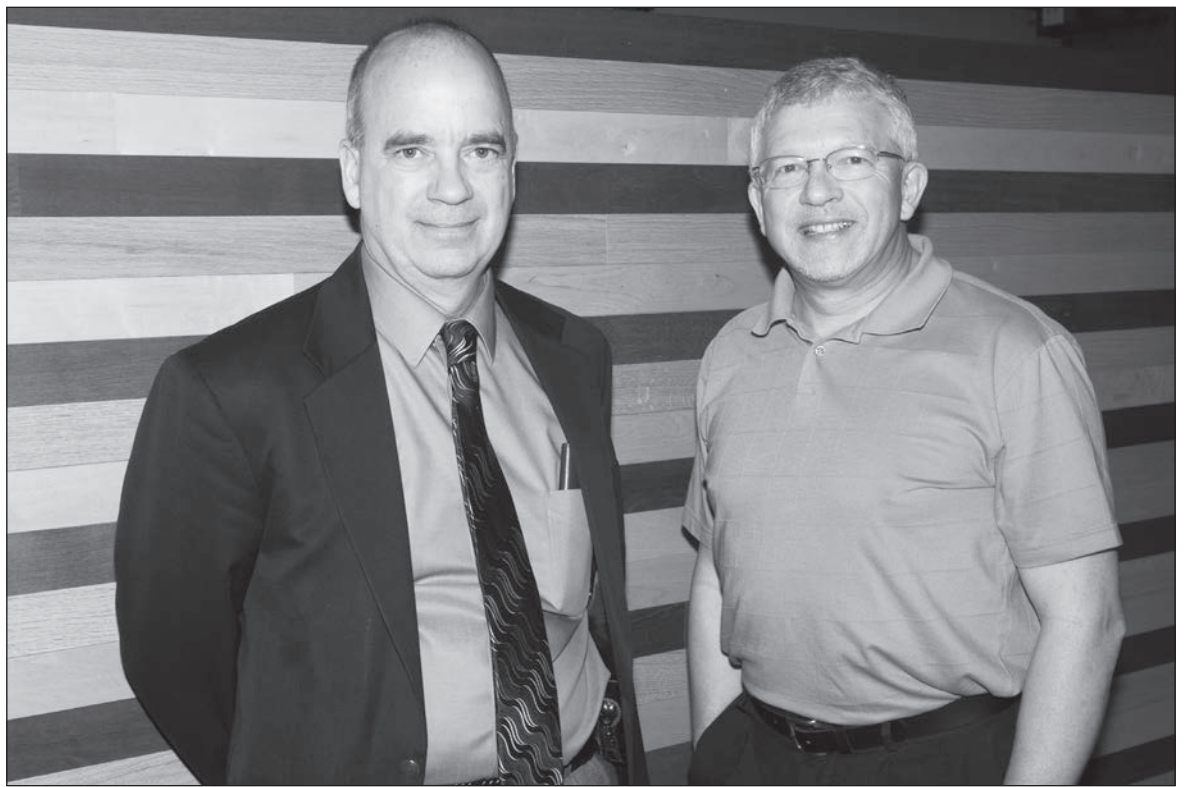
"Those are always the fundamentals," he said.

The University has not yet started the search for a new registrar. Provost Royce Engstrom said this is because Johnson has only just taken over the position.

"Now that he's on board and in place, we'll start to turn our attention toward finding a permanent replacement," Engstrom said.

Engstrom said it will probably be a couple of weeks before a search committee is formed. The committee will be tasked with getting the word out nationally about the vacant position and sorting through applicants. The University hopes to have a selection made by the time the fall 2009 semester starts, Engstrom said.

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Alisia Muhlestein/Montana Kaimin

Former University of Montana registrar Dave Micus, left, accepted a position at King Abdullah University in Saudia Arabia earlier this month. Interim registrar Ed Johnson will take his place until the search for a permanent registrar is complete.

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President of MSU retires after 25 years

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BOZEMAN – Montana State University President Geoff Gamble has announced his plans to retire.

Gamble, who will be 67 in June, made the announcement to the faculty, staff and student leadership at the university on Monday.

He said he and his wife, Patricia, had decided several years ago that he would end his 25-year career as an administrator in 2009. The decision was reinforced when his wife was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2008, and with the declining health of his 87-year-old mother and the birth of a grandchild in January, Gamble said.

Patricia Gamble has received treatment and is in good health. Gamble said he and his wife plan to spend more time with family and travel around the state.

Gamble, who has a doctorate in linguistics, also plans to teach a course or two each year in MSU's Department of Sociology and Anthropology.

"In retirement, you'll still see me around campus," he wrote in an e-mail letter to students, faculty and staff.

Montana Commissioner of Higher Education Sheila Stearns will conduct a search for Gamble's successor.

Gamble, who became MSU's 11th president in December 2000, said he will stay in office until a new president is hired.

Before coming to MSU, Gamble was the provost and senior vice president at the University of Vermont and served as its chief academic and operating officer. Before that, Gamble was a professor of anthropology at Washington State University, where he also served as interim provost for a year and vice provost for five years.

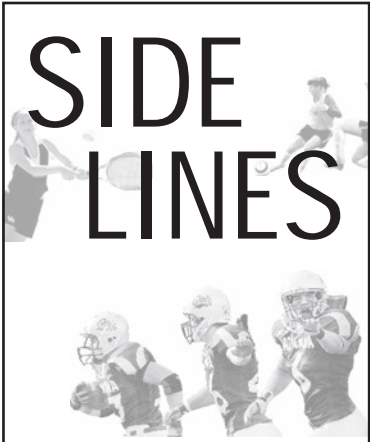
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Women’s tennis: Senior Liz Walker earned her second Big Sky Conference Player of the Week honors of the season last week, marking the third of her career. Walker earned a win at the No. 1 singles spot and the No. 1 doubles slot against Lewis-Clark State as well as a win at No. 1 doubles over a Washington State foe.

Big Sky women’s basketball: Portland State lost out of the second round of the WNIT on Saturday, dropping a 59-47 match against Oregon State. The Vikings ended the season with a 23-10 record. PSU advanced to the second round after a 57-51 win over cross-town rival Portland last Thursday. It marked PSU’s first-ever postseason tournament appearance at the NCAA Division I level. They made the tournament five consecutive times from 1992-1996 as a Division II team, prior to joining the Big Sky Conference.

Big Sky men’s basketball: Portland State, the Big Sky Conference champs, lost its first-round game of the NCAA men’s basketball tournament, losing 77-59 to Xavier in Boise last Friday. The Vikings ended with a 26-7 overall record.

STANDINGS

WOMEN’S TENNIS		
School	Conf.	Total
Sac. State	5-0	12-5
E. Washington	4-2	7-7
Montana State	3-1	8-8
N. Arizona	2-1	7-8
N. Colorado	3-2	4-9
Montana	1-2	4-7
Weber State	0-3	2-12
Idaho State	0-3	0-9
Portland State	0-4	3-13

MEN’S TENNIS		
School	Conf.	Total
Sac. State	4-0	9-4
Weber State	2-0	6-6
E. Washington	3-1	8-6
N. Arizona	3-1	5-14
Montana State	1-1	7-5
Montana	1-1	3-3
Portland State	2-3	6-7
N. Colorado	1-6	2-14
Idaho State	0-3	0-9

Knocked-out cold



Hugh Carey/For the Kaimin

Adam Imhoff from Helena celebrates after winning the first round by knock out of UM student Nick Miller during the Missoula Mayhem ultimate fighting competition on Saturday night at the Adams Center. Miller was later taken to the hospital with a broken neck. There were 11 fights for the event. UM students and Great Northern Fight Club products, Jory Erickson and Tim Welch, won the title belts in the 185-pound and the 170-pound weight classes.

Pittsburgh Panthers trap Lady Griz

Zealous Pitt guard Shavonte Zellous dominates in first round

Colter Nuanez
MONTANA KAIMIN

To be zealous is to be filled with eagerness and an ardent pursuit of something specific. University of Pittsburgh’s Shavonte Zellous lived up to that definition Saturday night.

The 5-foot-11 guard could not be denied in her quest for a berth in the second round of the NCAA Women’s basketball championships as she single handedly destroyed The University of Montana Lady Griz and fervently led her team to a 65-35 victory at Bank of America Arena in Seattle.

Zellous outscored Montana 16-10 in the second half and finished with 31 points, nine rebounds and four crucial steals as the No. 4-seeded Panthers avoided an upset after a sluggish first half.

“Shavonte is an extraordinary player. She’s a special student-athlete,” said Pitt head coach Agnus Berenato. “I think she’s really elevated her game to All-American status. If you look at her tonight with 31 points, nine rebounds, several steals and only one turnover. That’s pretty impressive in an NCAA game.”

If ever there was a game that could be characterized as a tale of two halves, it was Saturday’s. Montana came out of the gates not intimidated by Pitt’s size or their half-court trap. Sonya Rogers hit two 3-pointers and Mandy Morales dished out four assists in the game’s opening eight minutes as No. 13 Montana jumped out to a 12-6 lead.

Montana again led by six, this

time with 3:54 to play in the first half after a Morales jumper. But Berenato called a timeout and challenged her team. Pitt never looked back.

“I said to the team, ‘The last three, we have to go into the locker room with a lead. I don’t know how that’s going to happen, but we need to go in with a lead,’” Berenato said. “We had just scored four points, literally in the last 20 seconds, and then there was a timeout. We went into the locker room with a lead of one, 26-25.”

Halftime adjustments quite possibly have never been more effective than the ones Berenato made. She dared her team at intermission to shut down Morales (six points, seven assists at intermission) and Rogers (eight points at half) and to turn up the intensity of their half-court trap. That translated into a 20-2 run to open up the second half. Zellous scored 11 during the run and the Panthers scored 24 points off of UM’s 14 turnovers all told.

“I’m still not quite sure what happened in the second half, but I am sure they (Pitt) were responsible for it,” said Montana head coach Robin Selvig. “We couldn’t make a basket — makes it a hard game.”

Montana made just four field goals in the second half, as it was held to the lowest point total in a half in the history of the NCAA tournament. Rogers was held scoreless in the second half of her final collegiate game and finished 2-of-13 from the field

(2-of-11 from downtown) after leading the team in scoring in the first stanza.

As the second half wore on, the Lady Griz became visibly more and more frustrated and worn down by the bigger, stronger, more physical Panthers. Pitt sophomore guard Shayla Scott, who was the only other Panther to score in double figures with 11 points, said her team really fed off that aggravation and used it to create momentum of their own.

“Whenever you’re running into a trap and you see the look on their face of, ‘Uh what am I supposed to do now?’ it makes you feel good, and I think that just helped us defensively,” Scott said. “We just want to keep taking the ball from them and trapping them and scoring on offensive.”

With her explosion Saturday, Zellous, who is seventh nationally with a 22.5 point per game scoring average, became the first Pittsburgh player, male or female, to surpass the 700 point mark (705) in one season. She also surpassed Shayla Scott’s mother, Jennifer Bruce Scott, as the all-time leading scorer in Pitt women’s basketball history.

About the only thing Montana had an advantage in over the Panthers was fan support. But Berenato said the Grizzly faithful were much appreciated and actually helped her team in a way.

“We’re really happy there were Montana people,” Berenato said. “The worst thing to

do is play in an empty gym. That doesn’t do any good for our game, it doesn’t do any good for TV. We don’t really care whose fans are in the game as long as they’re in the gym.”

With the victory, Pitt advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament for the third time under Berenato and the third time in school history. Pitt beat No.12 seed Gonzaga 65-60 in the second round on Tuesday to advance to the Sweet 16.

Montana, on the other hand, is finished. Montana tied a school record for wins in a season with 28. Morales and Rogers were both named first team All-Big Sky, and both will certainly be remembered among the greatest Grizzlies of all time. Selvig was named conference Coach of the Year for the 18th time in his illustrious 31-year career. Ending such a season with such a disheartening loss was a tough pill for Selvig and his team to swallow.

“They’ve had a heck of a run,” Selvig said. “It’s tough. They’re a proud team with some proud seniors to have a half like that. And it’s a heck of a team that did it. That’s the consolation. We didn’t really give them anything, they took it. Shavonte [Zellous] — she was huge. She shot it in for them on the offensive end. It takes a long time to get over something like that. We have good competitors who play hard and win lots of games and it’s no fun to lose like that. That’s just the way it is.”

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Griz Notebook: Women's golf completes first day in Oregon, tennis splits

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Golf finishes towards end of the pack after first day

Montana women's golf team is in 11th place after first-round action at the University of Oregon's Duck Invitational Tournament Monday in Eugene.

The women shot a 331 on the afternoon, garnering a second-to-last place finish in the first round. The University of San Francisco sits atop the leader board after firing a 291 Monday, comfortably ahead of second-place finisher Oregon, who shot a team score of 301.

Junior Carissa Simmons tied for 20th place after shooting a solid round of 78. Ashli Helstrom is tied for 40th (81) Rose Stepanek is knotted in 46th (83). Kacey Valla and Teddi Roberts rounded out the Griz with 67th and 69th

finishes, respectively. Simmons was tied for the most pars Monday with 13, and Stepanek completed three birdies. The second and final round will get underway Tuesday morning.

Women's tennis earns non-conference win, loses to Montana State University Bobcats

The Montana women's tennis team picked up a split this weekend in Bozeman, defeating Utah State 5-2 Saturday before falling 7-0 Sunday to Montana State at the Bobcat Anderson Tennis Center, dropping their record to 1-2 in Big Sky play and 4-7 overall.

Montana claimed four of six single matches against the Aggies, with Rebecca Bran defeating Bridgett Strickland 6-2, 6-2 in the No. 2 slot, while Amanda Bran defeated Monica Abella 6-2,

6-1 in the No. 3 spot. Also picking up single wins for Montana were No. 4 Martyna Nowak, who edged Taylor Perry 6-3, 6-1 and No. 5 Kayla Mose who beat Carla Limmon 6-1, 6-2.

Liz Walker and Nowak also topped Hailey Swenson and Strickland 9-7 in No. 1 doubles to seal the win and end a five match-losing streak.

Montana State (8-8, 3-1 Big Sky) was dominant from the get go, opening the match by winning the doubles point. The teams did split the next two doubles matches, with the Bobcats picking up an 8-0 win at No. 3. Montana won the number ones, however, with Walker and Nowak winning in convincing 8-1 fashion over Ali Griffin and Andrea De La Torre. The Bran sisters fell 8-5 to Stephanie Jasper and Missy Harris in the number two doubles slot, giving the Cats the point, which was followed up with a

clean 6-0 sweep in singles play.

Montana will head south this Friday to Denver, where they will meet Middle Tennessee State in a neutral site match. On Saturday they will meet Big Sky Conference foe Northern Colorado in Greeley, followed by a Sunday non-conference tilt at Denver University.

Steve Ascher's club is currently in sixth place in the league standings. Montana State is in a three-way tie for second behind Sacramento State, who holds a 4-0 mark in Big Sky play, 10-5 overall.

Track athletes hit the road

Three Montana track athletes will travel to events in the middle of this week, with senior Amber Aikins and junior Chris Hicks heading to Scottsdale, Ariz., for the Big Green in the Desert Multi Events, while junior Michael Blanchard will individually travel

to Spokane Thursday and Friday for Whitworth College's Decathlon.

The Big Green event, which is sponsored by Dartmouth, is an invitational meet held at Scottsdale Community College, and Aikins and Hicks will be the Montana representatives in the heptathlon and decathlon.

Aikins finished third in last month's pentathlon at the Big Sky Indoor Championships, while Hicks didn't participate after redshirting the indoor season.

Thursday will mark the first career decathlon for Blanchard, who placed eighth in the pole vault at the 2009 indoor championships and 13th in last season's 2008 Big Sky outdoor meet. The Montana team will open its season in full forces April 3 and 4 at Dornblaser Field hosting the Al Manuel Invitational.

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Schilling announces retirement 42-year-old pitcher wins 3 World Series titles

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BOSTON — From bloody sock to bum shoulder, Curt Schilling rarely left the Red Sox spotlight.

On the field, the husky right-hander pitched through pain to help end the club's 86-year championship drought in 2004 — then contributed to another World Series title three years later.

Off the field, the opinionated observer appeared at a congressional hearing on steroids use and campaigned for former President George W. Bush.

From a Thanksgiving dinner in

2003 at his Arizona home where Boston general manager Theo Epstein lured him back to the team that drafted him in 1986 to his retirement Monday, Schilling made his mark in a city of demanding fans.

"I think in the end, we really didn't need to sell it," Epstein said Monday. "The Red Sox were perfect for him, because he likes the big stage, the history of the game. He likes to be the center of attention. It was a good fit."

Schilling enriched that history throughout a career that began with Baltimore in 1988 when he retired the first major league batter he faced, Boston's Wade Boggs, on a groundball.

He threw his last pitch in 2007, a ball on a full count to Colorado's Todd Helton in Game 2 of Boston's

World Series sweep.

A shoulder injury and surgery sidelined him for all of 2008. Then, at age 42, he had to weigh long hours of rehabilitation against the alternatives — spending more time with his wife and four children and focusing on his video game company.

So Schilling, a free agent, scrapped his idea of possibly signing with a contender in the second half of the season.

As successful as he had been in 20 years of pitching for Baltimore, Philadelphia, Houston, Arizona and Boston, as competitive and driven as he was on the mound, he had stood on it for the last time.

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went down; the plane was designed to hold 10 people only; there was a possibility of ice on the wings before it went down. But the plane had no flight data recorder and no cockpit voice recorder, and the cause of the crash is still unclear.

"This will be a long and tedious investigation," Rosenker said.

Next to the ad-hoc pressroom where Rosenker took questions was the Silver Eagle Grill, an airport restaurant where Misty Dodd works.

Her customers on Monday were mainly reporters, and after the conference ended, she immediately asked for updates from anybody with a notebook. Her eyes were red and slightly swollen, looking for any source of commiseration.

"I just can't stop crying," she said.

Dodd has three kids of her own, ages 9, 15 and 16, and she said they love to ski. She doesn't know any of the victims, but the crash clearly affected her deeply.

"I'm praying for all the families," she said. "That's all I'm doing."

The families of the victims went to the site of the crash Monday morning with NTSB investigators after being notified of the tragedy. Newly fallen snow lay in patches across the brown grass, and a finger-numbing chill that felt as gray as the sky saturated the day.

It was a bleak Monday morning on Harrison Avenue, but for so many of the businesses on the street only a few feet away from the cemetery, it was still Monday morning. People still had to go to work with an active police investigation staring them in the face and reporter after reporter knocking on their doors.

Ruby Ehman was at home playing in the backyard with her kids when the plane flew over their heads and crashed 500 feet away from her house.

"We were jumping on the trampoline and it flew right over us," she said. Then she said she heard a sound like a gunshot and saw the flames.

On Monday, she went to work at the Express Lane gas station, across the street and a few hundred feet north of the site.

"It's too close for comfort," Ehman said.

Del LeVasseur, a salesman at Mick O'Brien Used Car and Truck Center also saw the crash happen when he was driving down Harrison Street, and

the next day, he went to work directly across the street from the crosses, the police cars and yellow tape.

"It's devastating," LeVasseur said, "and I can't escape it. It's right across the street."

LeVasseur said he first saw the plane coming down at a 90-degree angle and then looked away so he could pay attention to the road.

"I thought for a millisecond, 'It might be a stunt plane,'" he said. "That was all I could think. I was trying to make sense out of the 90-degree bank. I thought, 'Maybe he'll pull out.'"

When he looked again, it began to level out and they sank below the trees.

"When I saw him coming down, towards the tree line, I knew it was over," LeVasseur said. "I was just in shock. It was something that'll never go away. The sight of that plane leveling towards the ground, that's going to be with me for a long time."

Ehman and LeVasseur try to live their lives while the scene across the street reminds them of fresh memories. Others are compelled to visit the cemetery's gates. The parking lot in front of Holy Cross is blocked off as well, but some parked a good block from the crosses, wreaths and flowers in hand as they walked in the chilly weather to the gates. Some left something of their own: a candle, a note reading, "Our prayers are with you, God Bless." Some just come to look.

A woman with a camera around her neck and a bundled toddler in her arms slowly approached. She set the boy down and knelt on one knee, putting her camera at the crosses' level. She snapped a few photos and got up to leave. Picking up the child, she said to him, "I know. It's sad."

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Ice and overload are questions in Butte crash investigation

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BUTTE — After a winter ski getaway ended in fiery horror for three families killed in a plane crash in this central Montana city, authorities are probing whether an overloaded cabin or ice might have contributed to the accident.

Fourteen people died Sunday when the single-engine Pilatus PC-12 nose-dived into a Catholic cemetery near the Butte airport and then burst into flames, officials and witnesses said.

With no cockpit data recorder on board the private flight, investigators say it could take months to pinpoint a cause.

There was minimal communication between air traffic controllers and the pilot in the minutes leading up to the crash.

The plane's owner, Dr. Irving "Bud" Feldkamp, said he was waiting for his two daughters and their families to fly in from California for a week of skiing when he got a call that a small plane had gone down.

"We were at the entrance to the Yellowstone Club when I got a cell phone call" from a nephew, Feldkamp said. "He saw it on CNN. He said 'Nobody survived.' And we knew it

was our plane."

Among the victims were two of Feldkamp's daughters, their husbands and five grandchildren ranging in age from 1 to 9.

The Sunday flight originated in Redlands, Calif., and then made two additional stops to pick up more passengers en route to Montana.

Originally destined for Bozeman, the pilot diverted to Butte for unknown reasons.

While descending toward Butte's Bert Mooney Airport, the plane passed through a layer of air at about 1,500 feet that was conducive to icing because the temperatures were below freezing and the air "had 100 percent relative humidity or was saturated," according to AccuWeather.com, a forecasting service in State College, Pa.

Safety experts said similar icing condition existed when a Continental Airlines twin-engine turboprop crashed into a home near Buffalo Niagara International Airport in New York last month, killing 50.

A possible stall created by ice — and the pilot's reaction to it — has been the focus of the Buffalo investigation.

"It's Buffalo all over again, or it could be," said John Goglia, a

former member of the National Transportation Safety Board.

"Icing, given those conditions, is certainly going to be high on the list of things to look at for the investigators."

Former NTSB chairman Jim Hall said there were similarities between the Montana crash and a 2005 crash near Bellefonte, Pa., in which a pilot and five passengers were killed.

The plane in both cases was the Pilatus PC 12/45, and in both there were reports of conditions conducive to icing at lower elevations and witness reports that the plane appeared to dive into the ground.

Mark Rosenker, acting chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board said overloading and equipment failure also were being examined.

He said the plane had just 10
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"It will take us a while to understand," he said. "We have to get the weights of all the passengers, we have to get the weight of the fuel, all of the luggage."

Feldkamp, a dentist and president of Glen Helen Raceway in Southern California, had planned for a weeklong vacation with his extended family at the Yellowstone Club, a millionaires-only resort south of Bozeman, Mont.

He drove out from California with his wife and another daughter, and they had planned to get together with the rest of the family at the club on Sunday night.

"We were going on a vacation with all the grandkids," Feldkamp said. "They were all excited about skiing."

Instead, Feldkamp spent part of Monday visiting the snowy crash scene with his wife, their two surviving children and other family members.

For about 45 minutes, they stood in the Holy Cross Cemetery near the twisted and charred debris, talking with investigators as a light snow fell. Scattered across the site were tarps covering the remains of the victims.

Also on the scene was Bob Ching, who was to have hosted the Feldkamps this week at his house at the ultra-exclusive Yellowstone Club. Ching's son, Brent Ching, 37, of Durham, Calif., was killed along with his wife, Kristen, 31, and their children, Hailey, 5 and Caleb, 3.

The other victims were Feldkamp's daughters, Amy Jacobson, 34, of St. Helena, Calif., and Vanessa Pullen, 37, of Lodi, Calif. Jacobson's husband, Erin, 36, and their children Taylor, 4; Ava, 3; and Jude, almost 2, also died in the crash as did Pullen's husband, Michael, 39, and their children Sydney, 9, and Christopher, 7.

The pilot was identified as Buddy Summerfield, 65, of Redlands, Calif. Summerfield was a former military flyer who had logged 2,000 hours flying the type of plane that crashed, according to federal officials.

The plane was owned by Eagle Cap Leasing Inc. of Enterprise, Ore.

The shareholders include Bud Feldkamp and Vanessa Pullen and Amy Jacobson, the company's lawyer, D. Rahn Hostetter said in a news release Monday.

Feldkamp's family has gone through tragedy before. Two years ago, his 10-month-old grandson, Chase, died after he was found to have slipped between a mattress and the edge of a bed during a nap.

The child was taken to a hospital and was eventually taken off life support.

The child's father, Buddy Feldkamp, and his wife and children had planned to skip this winter's ski trip. They drove to Butte from Oregon on Sunday night after hearing news of the crash.

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